

(3) Investigations to decide the necessity for the road were made before sanctioning the proposal.

(4) When the 2nd section also is taken up the road will reach Karukakkadavu a place on southern bank of the Ponnani river which is near Vaniamkulam famous for its cattle market. No special census is taken of the localities served by the road.

(5) No. Mr. C. S. Subramania Ayyar who was for some time Overseer in Talappalli owns some land in the region traversed by the road and his estates also will share the benefit of the road.

(6) No such records are forthcoming.

Scheme for the working of the Department of Public Health.

176. Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) the present strength of Sanitary Inspectors in the Department of the Director of Public Health;

(2) whether the Director of Public Health has submitted any scheme for the working of his department;

(3) if so, whether they will be pleased to place a copy of his report on the table?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(1) Seven.

(2) Yes; a trial scheme, as a tentative measure.

(3) A copy of the report is placed on the table. (*Appendix IX*).

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—May I know what are the duties of the Sanitary Inspectors?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—To supervise the work of his subordinates and to carry out the orders that have been from time to time issued to him by the Departmental head.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—May I know what the work of his subordinates is?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Sanitary works done by the maistries and vaccinators and bill collectors.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Will the Government be pleased to tell me what is the approximate area served by each of the 7 Sanitary Inspectors that are now in service?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—It would be about 100 Square miles.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Does the Government think that one Inspector would be able to serve for this area?

President.—It is a matter of opinion.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Has the Government accepted this part of the report of Sanitary Officer which says that there

is no sufficient scope or necessity for the recruitment of 8 Sanitary Inspectors newly sanctioned?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Yes, tentatively for the time being. He has been asked to report within 3 months.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Are they satisfied that the Sanitary Inspectors now in service will be able to cope with the work of supervising or doing the sanitary work of this 100 square miles?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—This scheme was put forward as a tentative measure and the Government tentatively have asked the Departmental Head to report again within 3 months. After that report is received the final decision will be come to.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Are the Government satisfied that these Sanitary Inspectors will be able to do the sanitary work of an area of 100 square miles?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—It depends upon what the final report will be and it can be decided upon the materials of that report.

Mr. Joseph Pettah.—On whose recommendation was these 8 Sanitary Inspectors originally sanctioned? Was it on the recommendation of the Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—We have got recommendations from the Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer as well as from the present Chief Sanitary Officer. But it was not on their recommendation that this number was fixed. The Government themselves fixed it on the basis of the papers. It is not a copy of any particular report.

Dr. A. R. Menon.—In the Appendix part II—Is it practically all the work of Municipalities?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Not all the works of the Municipalities.

Dr. A. R. Menon.—These are the main works of the Municipalities, is it not so?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—They are some of the important works of the Municipalities.

Dr. A. R. Menon.—Regarding licenses and fees, regarding vital statistics, prevention of diseases and scavenging—they are the works of Municipalities.

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Roads, housing and such other works also are attended to by Municipalities.

Dr. A. R. Menon.—Is it the opinion of the Government that one Sanitary Inspector would be able to do all the work?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I answered that. It has been accepted as a tentative measure. Government have not yet made

up their minds either way. When the report is received we can come to a final decision.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Is it a fact that these Sanitary Inspectors are not check-measuring the works?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—They were check-measuring works generally in hospitals. That has been discontinued.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—May I know whether the Government find it difficult to find work for the Director of Public Health?

President.—That is not a supplementary question.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—The proposals contained in Appendix IX are, I think, accepted by the Government as a tentative measure. These proposals of the Health Officer—are they accepted by the Government?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Appendix IX gives the details about the villages and the population. I don't quite understand the question.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—The Health Officer has made a recommendation—Appendix IX—pp. 21, 22, and 23. Are they all accepted by the Government? The question is whether the Director of Public Health has submitted any scheme for the working of this Department. The answer is, 'Yes; a trial scheme, as a tentative measure.' The next question is, if so, whether they will be pleased to place a copy of his report on the table?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—The proposals were accepted in certain cases with modifications.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—As far as part 2 of the report is concerned?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—That has been accepted.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—So can I take it that the provisions of the Municipal Regulation, as mentioned here, are already made applicable to the places mentioned in this?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—It requires prior notification and all these processes have to be gone through. As soon as that is completed these things will be attended to. In some cases it has been done already.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Am I to take it that the private markets are charged at the rates mentioned in Appendix IX, Part II?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Government have approved these suggestions. After further notification and after giving farther notice to the parties the new scheme will come into force.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—In the case of the markets which fetch above Rs. 5,000 annually, 10 per cent of the

gross income—that is what is reported by the Health Officer—will be levied as license fee. Has anything been done to get that?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I want notice as to what further steps have been taken by the Department.

Mr. A. Sankara Poduval.—May I know whether the Government decision to appoint 8 Sanitary Inspectors was arrived at without due enquiry and consideration?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—It was arrived at after due enquiry and consideration. The Department itself had not been formed and the chance for the Director of Public Health to have his say in the matter had not been given and the appointment itself had not been made.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Who collects the license fees? Is it the Sanitary Inspectors? I want to know their duties, whether they are also entrusted with the duty of collecting?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—There are bill collectors to collect ordinary bill amounts. This amount is generally remitted into the Treasury.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Do the Sanitary Inspectors collect the license fees?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—They need not necessarily do that.

Appointment of watcher at Kuzhur chira.

177. മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. പി. വള്ളോൻ. —കഴുർ ചിറ കാവലിൻ അടുത്ത് വല്ലവരേയും നിയമിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടോ;

ഉണ്ടെങ്കിൽ ടി ഒഴിവൻ അധികൃതർ വല്ലവരും അപേക്ഷകന്മാരായിരുന്നോ;

ഇപ്പോൾ നിയമിച്ചിട്ടുള്ള ആൾ ഏതു സമുദായത്തിൽ പെട്ടതാണ്?

മിസ്റ്റർ എം. ഡി. നാരായണയ്യർ. —ഉവ്വ്.

ഉവ്വ്.

നായർ സമുദായത്തിൽ ചേർന്ന ആളാണ്.

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. പി. വള്ളോൻ. —കഴുർ ചിറ കാവലിൻ വയ്ക്കണമെന്നു കാണിച്ചു ഒരു അധികൃതൻ ബോധിപ്പിച്ച അപേക്ഷയെ ഉപേക്ഷിക്കാൻ വല്ല പ്രത്യേക കാരണവുമുണ്ടോ?

മിസ്റ്റർ എം. ഡി. നാരായണയ്യർ. —അയാൾക്ക് എഴുതാനും വായിക്കാനും അറിഞ്ഞുകൂടാ. ഒരു കാവൽക്കാരൻ എഴുത്തറിഞ്ഞാൽ മാത്രമേ വല്ലതും കല്പന വന്നാൽ അതനുസരിച്ച് പെരുമാറുവാൻ സാധിക്കുകയുള്ളൂ. അയാൾക്ക് എഴുതാനും വായിക്കാനും അറിവില്ലാത്തതുകൊണ്ട് കല്പനകളിൽ പറയുന്നതു മനസ്സിലാക്കി പ്രവൃത്തിക്കുവാൻ കഴിയുകയില്ല.